U.S. DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE FORM PTO-1390 (REV 10-94) 9997.37USWO TRANSMITTAL LETTER TO THE UNITED STATES DESIGNATED/ELECTED OFFICE (DO/EO/US) CONCERNING A FILING UNDER 35 U.S.C. 371 U.S. APPLICATION NO. (If known, see 37 C.F.R. 1.5) Unknown INTERNATIONAL APPLICATION NO. INTERNATIONAL FILING DATE PRIORITY DATE CLAIMED PCT/EP00/04414 5 May 2000 7 May 1999 TITLE OF INVENTION METHOD FOR ANTICIPATING, DELAYING AND/OR PREVENTING THE RISK OF SPONTANEOUS COMBUSTION AND/OR EXPLOSION OF AN EXPLOSIVE ATMOSPHERE APPLICANT(S) FOR DO/EO/US Bertrand DES CLERS Applicant herewith submits to the United States Designated/Elected Office (DO/EO/US) the following items and other information: [X] This is a FIRST submission of items concerning a filing under 35 U.S.C. 371. 2. This is a SECOND or SUBSEQUENT submission of items concerning a filing under 35 U.S.C. 371. 3. This express request to begin national examination procedures (35 U.S.C. 371(f)) at any time rather than delay examination until the expiration of the applicable time limit set in 35 U.S.C. 371(b) and PCT Articles 22 and 39(l). [X] A proper Demand for International Preliminary Examination was made by the 19th month from the earliest claimed priority date.

[X] A copy of the International Application as filed (35 U.S.C. 371(c)(2))

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[X] A translation of the International Application into English (35 U.S.C. 371(c)(2)).

[X] Amendments to the claims of the International Application under PCT Article 19 (35 U.S.C. 371(c)(3))

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[] A translation of the amendments to the claims under PCT Article 19 (35 U.S.C. 371(c)(3)).

[X] An oath or declaration of the inventor(s) (35 U.S.C. 371 (c)(4)).

10. [X] A translation of the annexes to the International Preliminary Examination Report under PCT Article 36 (35 U.S.C. 371(c)(5)).

Item#11. to 16. below concern document(s) or information included:

11. [X] An Information Disclosure Statement under 37 CFR 1.97 and 1.98, Form 1449, 4 references, Form PCT/ISA/210.

12. An assignment document for recording. A separate cover sheet in compliance with 37 CFR 3.28 and 3.31 is included.

13. [X] A FIRST preliminary amendment with attached Form PCT/IPEA/409 in French.

A SECOND of SUBSEQUENT preliminary amendment. ]

14. [ ] A substitute specification.

15. [ ] A change of power of attorney and/or address letter.

16. [ ] Other items or information:

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English translation of National Stage PCT Patent Application: Spec. 11 pgs; 6 claims; Abstract 1 pgs. The fee has been calculated as shown below in the 'Claims as Filed' table.

Three sheets of formal drawings

Small entity status is claimed pursuant to 37 CFR 1.27

A signed Combined Declaration and Power of Attorney

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